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Via email: 73085-38741200@requests.muckrock.com

Re: HQ-2019-00929-F

Dear Ms. Best:

This is an interim response to the request for information that you sent to the Department of Energy (DOE) under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552. You requested:

“Records relating to or mentioning the hacker group known as the “International Subversives,” which was made up of hackers going by the aliases Mendax, Trax and Prime Suspect.”

For purposes of assessment of any fees, you have been categorized under the DOE regulation that implements the FOIA at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 1004.9(b)(3) as a “news media” requester. Requesters in this category are charged fees for duplication only and are provided 100 pages at no cost. At this time, it has not yet been determined if fees will exceed \$15.00, the minimum amount at which DOE assesses fees. As you requested in your letter, you will be notified for a fee agreement if your fees will exceed \$15.00.

You may contact DOE’s FOIA Public Liaison, Alexander Morris, FOIA Officer, Office of Public Information at 202-586-5955, or by mail at MA-46/Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, for any further assistance and to discuss any aspect of your request. Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at [ogis@nara.gov](mailto:ogis@nara.gov); telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769.

Please refer to the above referenced number in any communications with DOE about the request. If you have any questions about the processing of your request or this letter, you may contact Ms. Anjelica Ruda of my office at MA-46/Forrestal building, 1000 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585, or at 202-287-6745.



I appreciate the opportunity to assist you with this matter.

Sincerely,



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